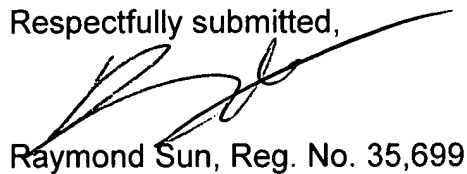


REMARKS

Original claims 9-12 have been cancelled. New claims 13-24 have been added. Claims 1-8 and 13-24 are pending in the present application. Prompt examination and an early indication of allowability are respectfully requested.

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